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Letter dated 6 February 2002* from the Permanent Mission of Georgia to the United Nations Office at Geneva addressed to the Chairperson of the Commission on Human Rights

I have the honour to transmit to you an official note of the Permanent Mission of Georgia to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations at Geneva about Georgia's intention to strengthen the struggle against torture and to extend its cooperation with the United Nations human rights mechanisms by an open invitation.

I would be grateful if this note could be issued and circulated as an official document of the fifty-eighth session of the Commission on Human Rights under items 11 and 18 of the provisional agenda.

(Signed) Alexander KAVSADZE
Minister Plenipotentiary

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Annex

PERMANENT MISSION OF GEORGIA

TO THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE AND OTHER

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AT GENEVA

No 6/4

The Permanent Mission of Georgia to UN Office and other International Organizations at Geneva presents its compliments to the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and has the honour to inform that the President of Georgia has strongly supported the initiative of Georgian NGOs to proclaim Georgia as a territory of free of torture.

Accordingly, the President of Georgia has especially assigned the National Security Council's Human Rights' Protection Office to carry out the strict monitoring over each concrete fact when it is confirmed.

In this respect the Government of Georgia further extends its cooperation within the UN mechanisms by an open invitation.

The Permanent Mission of Georgia to UN Office and other International Organizations at Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 29 January 2002

United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
GENEVA